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GC embraces Milledgeville community in remembrance ceremony of 9/11/01

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9/11 remem-bered in moving ceremony as students are encouraged to engage in acts of ser-vice

Sun-light streamed through the trees on front campus, Courtesy of Creative Commons

casting its rays on the flagpole. 50 to 60 people had gathered there and watched in somber silence as the flag was lowered to half-mast

After the first speaker, a harmonious choir of voices filled the air as Max Noah Singers, conducted by Dr. Jennifer Flory, performed “Star Spangled Banner”.

As they sang, a reverential, patriotic atmosphere settled over the crowd, extending to front campus’ paved walkways, lined with little American flags.

The occasional passerby walked the pathways. Most people turned their heads and slowed pace as they passed the cere-

mony. Some stopped for a few moments to watch.

At 8:46 a.m., there was a moment of silence for the 2,977 lives lost in the terrorist attacks of Sept. 11, 2001. Afterwards the Max Noah Singers performed “My Country Tis of Thee”.

Minutes later the ceremony concluded, and attendees, many of whom had come from their workplaces, slowly filed out. Most lingered for a few moments.

Patriot Day: A day of remembrance, community, and service

At 8:30 a.m. last Wednesday, the annual 9/11 commemoration ceremony was held on front campus and the flag was lowered in ob-

servance of Patriot Day.

The event was coordinated by a team of four: Jennifer Graham, director of GC’s women’s center; Michael Igbonagwam, assistant director of fraternity and sorority life; Kendall Stiles, director of community engagement; and Sara Stallings, director of university events.

“It was a collaboration across a number of different departments within student affairs and the university in general,” Graham said regarding departments that lent a hand.

Graham said that there has been a ceremony every year since the first anniversary in 2002.

“It was a little bit different this year,” Graham

said. “We really wanted to emphasize the service component more.”

Organizers encouraged people to not only remember the 9/11 attacks and victims, but engage in acts of service.

Graham said there is a national 9/11 remembrance nonprofit organization that focuses on remembrance through service, and remembering the unity our country experienced in the months following the attacks.

“The organizers of that national nonprofit are made up of some of the family members of people who passed away in that attack,” Graham said. “Those family members came together

on the one year anniversary and said, ‘We really want people to move forward in remembering by engaging in acts of service,’ and so our choice to move in that direction is very much in line with that national nonprofit organization. That we remember by giving back.”

Memories of 9/11 Marion Robinson was an eighth grade teacher at Oak Hill middle school. Live footage came on television, but it wasn’t left on for long, likely for fear of upsetting the children, she said. She and other faculty had no idea what was truly happening until later.

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GC students’ first taste Kirk’s Jerk Chicken edition

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The restaurant offers a vibrant and lively atmosphere with exotic Jamaican dining. The level of spiciness may be too low, too high or just right depending on the individual’s prefer-

ences and dining experience. However, visitors will notice the savory, hot smells and tastes that race through the restaurant as a greeting.

Two GC students experienced their first taste of the staple Jamaican cuisine known as jerk chicken. Allison McClure,

a senior psychology major, and Natanim Kefelw, a freshman biology major, visited Kirk’s Jerk Kitchen to try the classic jerk chicken wings.

Kefelw had not previously had Jamaican food before this experience.

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Courtesy of Isabelle Angell

Fresh jerk chicken served with rice and mixed vegetables



Courtesy of GC club fishing team

The close-knit team opens their season this fall in North Georgia

Bass fishing Bobcats Brotherhood on the lake

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Senior Writer

GC’s bass fishing club kicks off its season at Lake Chatuge in North Georgia on Sept. 28 after solidifying themselves as one of the top squads in the country last season.

“This past year, we were ranked top 40 out of 250,” said Noah Campbell, sophomore marketing major and president of the club. Even though the club

displayed sheer dominance in the state of Georgia last season, Campbell still pushes his fellow fishermen further.

“In the state of Georgia, we were number two behind SCAD, so we’ve smoked UGA, Southern, Kennesaw [and] UNG,” Campbell said. “SCAD was the only one we were behind.”

SCAD’s prolific bass fishing team recently shuttered, propelling the Bobcats even higher. Campbell has clear goals in mind for

his impressive group. “This year our goal was to be the number one team in Georgia as well as a top-10 finish overall, which is very doable,” Campbell said. Much of the club’s success can be attributed to its broad recruiting efforts that have gravitated talented fisherman to Milledgeville. Up to six high school students have committed to GC because of the club’s recruiting efforts.

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“I feel more affected through the years than I did that day,” Robinson said, as tears began to fill her eyes. “Maybe it’s my maturity. I lost my nephew in the line of duty—not there—but he was a deputy.” Robinson has no children and had a hand in her nephew’s raising. His name was William. “He gave his life for this community,” Robinson said. “And he gave me the gift of compassion and empathy. I can empathize more with people who lost people at 9/11, and the people who were there.” William gave his life for his community, and Robinson said “he gave me the gift of compassion and empathy.” Her loss has allowed her to better empathize with 9/11’s victims and their families. “If you’ve never experienced great sorrow, I don’t know if you really feel the depth of something like this,” Robinson said. She added that those who have not experienced loss are certainly saddened by 9/11, but that

having lost a loved one “brings it all home more.” Robinson recalls the unity she witnessed in this country after the event, but has observed serious division in recent years. “Hopefully this day will bring the country together,” Robinson said. “We’re so divided. There’s so much hate. We’re so divided politically and we really shouldn’t be, we need to be together—to stick together, because this country is great.” Freshman environmental science major Ally Esmond was born in late 2001, after the attacks. The first time Esmond remembers learning about 9/11 was in sixth grade, in American history class. “The main thing they emphasized was that it was a huge tragedy, and that it happened on U.S. soil,” Esmond said. “What they conveyed to us was the shock that everyone went through and the shock that I think we’re all still in that would even happen in our country.” The severity began to sink in around seventh grade, when Esmond and a friend were assigned a research project. They asked her friend’s mother about what was going on around the time of 9/11 and how she felt. “She actually had people asking her, ‘Why would you choose to bring a child into the world at this time?’” Esmond said. “I think that’s when it really sunk in.” Esmond said that was when she realized that we have to carry on through tragedies. She saw then that this event was so monumental that some people couldn’t fathom good things happening around it, such as a child being born. Jennifer Graham also shared her memories of 9/11. Graham was a freshman at GC. She and her roommate saw the live feed and at first, like everyone, thought it was an accident. “It became apparent when the second plane flew through the second tower that it wasn’t just an

accident,” Graham said. It was a difficult morning, she recalled. There was uncertainty because no one knew exactly what was going on or what would happen next. Graham stated that an obvious change since then has been airport security, and that many people seem to view it as more of an annoyance. “I think socially, if we really get down to what matters, I see people being a lot more fearful,” Graham said. “I see in a sense that there is a lot more fear of people who look different. I see that as some- thing that has really increased since Sept. 11.” Graham said this xenophobia didn’t happen overnight, but had to grow over time. “We’ve had people from other countries be apart of the fabric of this country since it was founded,” Graham said. “And of those millions of people, there was that small handful who enacted harm.” She said many immigrants view the U.S. the same as those born on its soil: “as a land of opportunity and of justice and liberty and compassion.”



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Patriotic attendee Marion Robinson with her dog, Buddy





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The Max Noah Singers perform, conducted by Dr. Flory




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The flag is lowered to half-mast in memory of 9/11

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NEWS

GC students affected by Hurricane Dorian

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Hurricane Dorian did not directly affect Milledgeville but wreaked havoc across the Bahamas on Sept. 1.

Early on there were rumors around the GC campus of classes being canceled, but it was quickly reported that Hurricane Dorian was no longer heading for Milledgeville.

Although Hurricane Dorian did not make contact with Milledgeville, students with connections to the Bahamas followed the storm closely to watch over their loved ones.

"The damage is indescribable and it looks like a nuclear bomb has been dropped over the island which is only two miles long and half a mile wide," said native Bahamian, Brandon Weatherford.

Weatherford lives on

Man-O-War Cay Island. He explained that the damage and the death toll is far worse than the mainstream media portrays.

The toll has climbed to 50 according to NBC news, but both Weatherford and Albury have reported seeing more than 50 bodies on the way to the airport alone.

Hurricane Dorian was expected to be a Category 2 storm till it churned into a Category 5 storm the day it touched down in the Bahamas, according to the National Weather Service.

"I am obviously upset that my house is in shambles, but I am more upset about the fact that I lost all my memories and things with sentimental value like my baby pictures and old love notes," said 20-year-old native Bahamian, Camille Albury.

Two palm trees fell on Camille's house. She said the air pressure inside was nothing like she had ever felt before she lost contact with her family.

"So the storm began, and we lost contact



Courtesy of Brandon Weatherford

A house after Hurricane Dorian struck the Bahamas

with everyone for three days," said Michela Albury. "It is scary being on the outside knowing that your whole entire family is going through an indescribable experience and there is nothing you can do but wait."

Michela Albury ex-

plained that her dad traveled by boat as soon as he could to offer aid and resources to the Bahamians and his remaining family there.

Albury described that people have reported a

uation could escalate.

Last year classes were canceled for GC students because of Hurricane Michael. Roughly 3,641 residents in Baldwin County, lost power due to the hurricane according to the Union Recorder.

Wayne Johnson, the Emergency Management Director of Baldwin County, explained concern does not begin until about 72 hours before the hurricane is expected to make contact.

Students were first informed via email on Aug. 29. The email included details on the hurricane and steps for students to prepare.

"If the forecast is on track for us to have a potential impact here in Milledgeville, I then start reaching out to other departments, including Georgia College, to make sure they are ready," Johnson said.

Johnson said hurricanes can change in a moment's notice and there is nothing to do but watch until the storm veers closer.

"In the event of a hurricane, students should have a three-day supply of water, at least one day supply of food and a 'jump kit' that you can grab and leave with quickly," Johnson said.

Hurricane season began in August and will continue through October, with a projection of a 45 percent above-average hurricane season according to The NOAA Office of Ocean Exploration and Research.

Overall, students can work to stay alert and informed in the event of an emergency. GC has students' backs through any emergency event and works hard to keep students safe.



Courtesy of Brandon Weatherford

Before and after effects of a lodge due to Hurricane Dorian



Courtesy of Brandon Weatherford

A church in the rubble after Hurricane Dorian hit the Bahamas

Understanding GC's Women's Center

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The Women's Center educates GC students on different perspectives while offering them a supportive environment to hang out with friends.

The Women's Center invites students to use their building as a supportive environment to learn new ideas and hang out with friends.

"We're here to provide community, education and empowerment to all our students on campus around gender and sexual identities," said Jennifer Graham, director of the Women's Center.

While conversations with staff at the Women's Center are still private, they are now a mandatory reporter. This means students can still receive support services related to violence, dat-

ing and stalking, but issues involving a crime must be disclosed to university authorities.

The Women's Center also offers education programs, workshops, discussion groups, and connections to outside resources like counseling. Primarily, the Women's Center focuses on being a safe space to foster community at GC.

"It's an opportunity for people of all gender identities to get involved and recognize the issues we all face in gender-based issues," said Peter Pendleton, a senior liberal studies major.

Men Against Rape and Sexual Assault, M.A.R.S., is a training program to educate men on healthy masculinity, bystander intervention and general education. M.A.R.S. has been a part of the GC Women's Center for

four years, but many centers are now adopting programs like it.

"I would encourage anyone to get involved if they just want to open their mind to some new perspectives of thinking and meet some great people," said Brian Williamson, a senior biology major and student worker with M.A.R.S. "It's a great way to look around the GC campus."

If students can't make it to the Women's Center, Lady Bits is a student-run podcast that discusses sexuality and women's health. Upcoming topics like HPV and the vaccine are available every other Wednesday on Spotify, Google Podcasts and Anchor.

The Women's Center also sponsors LGBTQ+ programs and events to embrace all students at GC. Events include

S.T.A.R. Ally training, trans day of remembrance and open mics for students to share poems or personal stories.

"Something we often hear at our events which is always really heartwarming is somebody saying something like 'you guys are my people,'" Pendleton said. "It is a very affirming thing to hear to validate that the work we're doing is worth it."

Support teach affirm respect, or S.T.A.R. Ally training is a course offered to GC students. It is an educational program for faculty, staff and interested students to better serve the LGBTQ+ community.

Students can follow the Women's Center on Instagram and Facebook to stay updated on the latest events happening on campus.

What does the Women Center at Georgia College offer?



Services:

- **Men Against Rape and Sexual Assault, or M.A.R.S., is a training program to educate men on healthy masculinity, bystander intervention and general education.**
- **LGBTQ+ programs**
- **Community groups for moral support.**
- **Presentations, workshops, and trainings on a variety of topics.**
- **A resource library for women's issues.**

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NEWS

GC's holds first Tailgate Tour of the semester

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GC incorporates Tailgate Tours for sports teams across campus to boost attendance at sporting events. The event recently came to the Bobcat Classic, an annual volleyball tournament, on Sept. 9. According to the GC athletic administration, attendance at the average GC volleyball game is

around 75 students, however there were roughly 400+ students at the most recent Tailgate Tour.

Tailgating was held at the front steps of Centennial Center. Different tents were set up around the venue to promote campus activities, while students mingled and participated in various tailgating activities.

Tailgate Tours are a fairly new type of event

held here at GC. Wendall Staton, the head athletic director at GC, proposed the idea of holding events surrounding sporting events to draw more attendance and engage students with more athletic events.

Charlie Hechts, a graduate assistant for athletic administration, is part of the team in the athletic department who coordinates Tailgate Tours for sporting events across campus. He works with both Staton and Jimmy Wilson, the assistant athletic director, to decide when and how Tailgate Tours will be held.

"We thought this was a good idea to increase attendance for games that don't necessarily get as much attendance," Hechts said. "I doubt there have been people who come to volleyball games before these events, and now we're getting decent crowds. It's about getting them to games they wouldn't

normally attend."

The average cost of a single Tailgate Tour is roughly \$1,000 to cover the costs of food, games and other festivities.

The tailgate team will meet with both the head coach of the sport they are planning to tailgate and student groups across campus to plan an event that would greatly benefit from the attendance numbers at Tailgate Tours. The student groups involved will then register tents to set up outside the venue to promote campus activities and provide other festivities for the Tailgate Tour.

While the main event at Tailgate Tours is always the sporting event, there are plenty of activities students can do before the game to enhance the tailgating experience. Food is provided by the athletic department for all students as well as classic tailgate games such as cornhole and can jam.



Catherine James | Digital Media Editor

Bobcats gather to tailgate for the Bobcat Classic

Paul Graziani, a junior exercise science major, recently transferred to GC and had his first taste of Tailgate Tours at the Bobcat Volleyball Classic. He was very pleased with the atmosphere and the support from other GC athletics at the event.

"I would come to every one," Graziani said. It's always good to support the other sports teams. We want people to support us so we have to come and support them."

The Bobcat Classic, held every year, has always been a special event for the volleyball players at GC. Exciting matches were

held throughout the afternoon and evening, with a comeback victory from the Bobcats to cap off the tournament.

Emily Pope, a GC volleyball player, found the atmosphere surrounding Tailgate Tour extremely beneficial to the teams' performance.

"Tailgate Tour definitely enhances the game day experience for us," Pope said. "We love seeing our fans get really into the games and enjoy the experience as much as we do. All in all, the Tailgate Tours bring the GC community together and gives a whole new meaning to the word family."



Catherine James | Digital Media Editor

GC student plays cornhole with friends at the tailgate

Condoms reappear and relocate on GC campus

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Web Content Editor

Health Services stopped providing condoms for students two years ago. The reason: low usage and relocation of the Office of Health Promotion.

This year, 1,000 condoms were purchased for student use, like in previous years before they stopped offering them, but will now be available in the new location.

"I handled all things sexual health related and when I left, the condoms went with me to main campus in Student Affairs," said Rachel Pope, university health educator.

Pope said Student Affairs provided two different spots for students to pick up condoms after the office moved away from Student Health Services at West Campus, the DEN and the Office of Health Promotion.

"Student Health was never to be seen as the supplier for students, nor has that been what the Office of Health Promotion has intended to be," said Pope. "We want

students to take full control of their health, not depending on someone else to provide for their safety, and always making sure they have access to protection methods."

Students are required to show their Bobcat card to prove their enrollment at GC and sign a sheet saying they received condoms to reduce monopolization of the product.

Pope also said the two forms of proof were needed to make sure funding went to students, not community members. Funding for the condoms is provided by

SABC, the student activity budget committee.

"We tried this for an entire year and our numbers could not justify sustaining the program," said Pope. "Also, student

workers in the DEN were put in an awkward/compromising position when that was not in their job description to be

"I'm not the one passing them out anymore," said Mia Park, a junior mass communication major and DEN employ-



Emma Lammers | Illustrator

handing out condoms."

Pope said condom distribution was discontinued from the DEN out of respect for student worker concerns.

ee. "It makes it easier and less awkward on my end."

Pope decided to remove the condoms from the DEN and keep them in the Office of Health

Promotion. Students still have to sign their name when receiving condoms, unlike the HUB where they are anonymously available in a bowl.

Some students think the condoms go unused due to stigmas.

"We don't promote sex, but want to promote healthy sexual habits," said Elena Pries a senior public health major and outreach coordinator for the Health Movement. "I think that everyone has a stigma about sex. It [stigmas] will keep going down if we promote positive sex."

Pope said that the Peer Health, like Preis, from the Health Movement provide condoms at various events,

residence hall programs and at informational tables in the library to reduce stigmas. Students hand out "Safer Sex Kits" that include information about protection and

questions to ask yourself before engaging in sex.

"We try to partner with Housing to have condom packets readily available for students living in University Housing," said Pope. "We want students to find what works for them, it might not always be what is given out at any of our educational events."

Assistant Director of the School of Health and Human Performance and Professor, Scott Butler, conducted research on university condom distribution, availability, and the theoretical assessment of university condom distribution.

Scott's findings proved that public colleges with many students were more likely to offer condoms for students than private schools and stressed the dual importance of the birth control method: pregnancy and sexually transmitted disease protection.

Condoms are not always reliable for protection but sometimes cut down on the number of young adult pregnancies and STDs.

SPORTS



Karma and confidence of Cassius “Cash” Young

**Eric Boyd
Sports Editor**

Cassius Young, a junior shortstop for the GC baseball team, has a saying— “It’s all part of it.” “That applies when things are good— it’s all part of it; When they’re bad— it’s all part of it,” Young said. “There’s going to be highs and lows but you just have to stick with it and ride through it.”

The phrase built a mindset that paved the way for a career that boasts state championships, tournament wins and numerous individual accolades.

Of all the sports gods, baseball has perhaps the most fickle. Patrons of the baseball gods subscribe to the kind of karma that denounces stepping on the third base line chalk. Those who are smart align themselves with the game’s

bizarre idiosyncrasies. “It’s all about staying even keel because as soon as you get really cocky, it’s almost destiny to have a bad game the next day,” Young said. “I don’t find a huge problem with [trash talk], but some guys are pretty brutal and when they get in slumps, that’s karma.”

Even Young’s career, seemingly littered with nothing but success, cannot escape the whirlwind highs and lows incumbent to baseball.

When he was eight, he hit three home runs in a single game. In his next at bat, he got hit in the head by the pitch. His dad was the pitcher.

As a sophomore in high school, Young was thrown into the fire as the starting shortstop on the varsity team at Marist School in Atlanta, partially because there was not another one on the roster.

“I wasn’t really ready

to step into that role yet,” Young said. “I was pretty bad that season but took it as a learning moment.”

That learning moment blended experience with talent and gave backbone to a career that had not yet faced such adversity.

Young’s ability to adapt to adversity and persevere through the lows gave way to a storied senior season.

His team was stacked with talent, but could not find a way to hit their stride. They finished the regular season with a mediocre 15 wins 15 losses.

In a funk, they turned to an old rope they found in the woods as a token of good karma. They named it Rope McGee. Throughout their playoff run, they collected more tokens.

An armory of good karma manifested itself into a state championship, the ultimate high point.

Although his career thus far at GC has been

successful, Young’s play has not been immune to slumps. “In my freshman year I started off really hot then hit a slump I couldn’t get out of,” Young said. “Last year I started off high then got a little low, but got out of it and finished the season really strong.”

The highs and lows inherent to baseball reveal the mindset of a player.

Young forged his mental toughness through adversity long ago and made peace with the fickle rhythms of the game, so when things get tough, it does not phase him.

The Cash Young that steps out onto the field next season will be the most confident version of himself yet.

“Freshman year I probably needed a little more confidence,” Young said. “The summers where I would go off and play really helped build my confidence.”

His swagger is quiet and understated. Talking too much would become bragging, which for Young, violates his baseball karma.

“I’m at my best when I feel like I’m the best player on the field,” Young said.

When he arrived at GC, he wanted to fall in line with the older guys and learn from them. Now that he is one of the older guys, he’s taking advantage of the opportunity to do the same.

“Other guys are starting to look up to you so naturally you take on more of a leadership role,” Young said. “It’s starting to form into ‘our’ team whereas when I was a freshman I tried to just fall in line with the older guys.”

His leadership prowess goes beyond leading by example showing the young guys how things are done. He has stepped up his game as

a vocal leader as well.

“Half of it is some guys on the team complain about some stuff whereas I’ll just keep my mouth shut and remind them it’s not so bad,” Young said. “I think by me just keeping my mouth shut and doing the work— other people see that and stop complaining.”

This season he will seek to add to an already impressive resume and attract the attention of more major league teams. The Reds, Twins and Mariners have already showed interest in him.

When hard work at this level manifests itself into an opportunity at the next one, it’ll be for the same reason Young has always gone through his highs and lows— it’s all part of it.



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Tying up the

**Lilia Starnes
Staff Writer**

Whether on the field or on the court, hair can always be seen whipping through the air.

For some athletes, hair accessories play a vital role in their performance, either for assistance with rogue flyaways or simply as a good luck charm.

“I’ve always worn a headband—it is just my thing,” said Delayne Rotolo, a junior basketball player and exercise science major.

Often times a loose headband or snapped elastic hair tie act as a small price an athlete with long hair has to pay.

“Sometimes when I braid my hair the elastic at the bottom will hit my eyes and that hurts,” said Kim Yatribi, junior tennis player and management major.

“Whenever that happens I just take it out after and wear my hair in a ponytail instead,” Yatribi said.

A common hairstyle among athletes is a ponytail or bun. For one athlete, the bun has a deeper meaning that goes beyond keeping hair out of their face.

“When I was a little kid at my birthday party, my hair caught on fire,” Rotolo said. “When I went

to blow out my candles, my hair caught on fire.”

To beat the heat, these GC athletes ditch the ponytail and go straight to the bun.

“I always wear it in a bun and I know my mom hates it—she thinks it looks like a knot,” said Rotolo. “Once I learned how to put it in a bun, I was like oh my gosh this awesome that it is not touching my neck, I can feel a breeze.”

Certain teams have coordinated looks when it comes to how their hair is styled for games.

“We all start with our hair in ponytails for the warmup before the game, but I always put my hair in a bun right before the game because of sweat,” said Jordyn Moellering, junior volleyball player and business management major.

A bun may not be a bad idea in a sport like volleyball where a large number of its rules revolve around the net. A simple and easy to remember rule in volleyball is that players may not touch the net. This rule includes a players hair.

“Some referees call it, some referees don’t, it honestly depends,” Moellering said. “But yes it should be called just to keep it fair if anything touches the net.



Courtesy of GC club bass fishing team

This year will take the bass fishing team all over the Southeast

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Like any other sport, the club practices their craft throughout the week.

“We, generally speaking, fish four to five days a week, and we make our schedules for classes around that,” Campbell said. “So, I try to make all of my classes on Tuesdays and Thursdays, so I have the rest of the week to fish.”

The club’s youthful roster isn’t halting its hefty ambitions and goals.

“Since our older guys have graduated this past season,

and the season before, the younger guys have taken the leadership roles,” Campbell said.

John Garrett Pearson, a sophomore marketing major and fisherman for the club, said the club’s tightly knit nature has led to friendships that go beyond the boat.

“These guys are going to be my friends for the rest of my life,” Pearson said. “We’re always going to be competing against each other—you know, after college we’ll all be fishing against each other in local tournaments and hopefully bigger tournaments.”

Cole Hopson, a sophomore marketing major

and fisherman for the club, said bass fishing at GC has gifted him some memorable experiences.

“You get to travel almost throughout the whole country and go bass fishing everywhere,” Hopson said. “And it’s really cool to experience all of these different parts of the country where you would never even see if I wasn’t a part of this.”

When asked about the future of he and his fellow fishermen, Campbell responded without hesitation.

“It’s very hard to make a living fishing, but it’s definitely [in] our goals and dreams,” Campbell said.



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It is undeniable that the planet is in a dire state caused by the human race. Warming temperatures are melting glaciers, plastics are polluting oceans, and ecosystems that account for Earth’s biodiversity are threatened. The race for the future is on, and it is clear that actions need to be taken soon in order to preserve a future for generations to come, according to earthday.org. “Commit to earth-friendly acts, make more sustainable choices, reduce your carbon footprint, conserve energy and resources [and] collaborate on environmental projects in your community,” according to earthday.org.

One action that can be taken to help the planet is recycling plastics, paper and glass. At GC, there are many on-campus locations where recyclables can be taken. There are bins outside of residence halls, at West Campus, inside the MAX, and also others spread throughout the other buildings (A&S, Herty, etc.). However, it is not as easy for students living off-campus to have the opportunity to contribute. Places such as College Station and Magnolia Park do not have designated bins for recycling. This makes it harder for those students to cut down on waste and make a difference. Bradley Moyer, a junior history major who lives at Magnolia Park, said there was an absence

of green alternatives and that there was no motive for people to recycle at the apartments. “It’s not their job to make us recycle, it’s on us,” Moyer said. “However, they do not provide any

systems nor persuade us to do so, and because of this people don’t. People aren’t going to wash their hands if there is no sink.” Freshman environmental science major Cooper Williams gave

some insight into the little things that students can do to contribute. Some of these tips include cutting down on the consumption of red meat, taking public transportation, carpooling and buying locally. For students who want to help cut down on their waste, the garden at West Campus is a great place to take any compostable food waste such as banana peels, apple cores and coffee filters. This compost will help provide nutrients for the garden’s soil and landscaping for all of campus. GC also has the Office of Sustainability, which monitors the conservation of resources, promotes more sustainable behaviors and educates students on their initiatives. To learn more about them and their

mission, contact them at sustainingc@gcsu.edu. For students wishing to buy locally, the Green Market is held downtown every Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. from May until October. Local producers and farmers come with fresh produce, eggs, meat, jams and more. It is a great way to support the local economy and help make an environmental impact. If you live off-campus, the city of Milledgeville does offer recycling services. The Convenience Center offers 18 gallon buckets are available free of charge. They will also take any “brown goods” (old furniture such as tables, couches, mattresses, etc.) and old appliances. They are located at the end of West Thomas Street.

Why recycle?

- Reduces Carbon Emissions:** recycling decreases greenhouse gases
- Conserve Natural Resources:** According to EPA, one pound of paper recycled can save 17 trees!
- Waste Pollution:** recycling can decrease pollution

What can you do?

- Use energy efficient lightbulbs
- Use public transportation
- Turn off lights when you leave
- Use a reusable water bottle
- Cut down consumption of red meat
- Carpool when you can
- Use a reusable shopping bag

Recycling Tips

When you recycle, your old items get a new life.

Where to Recycle?

You can recycle on GC campus; the recycling bin is right by the trash. Recycling at home is very important also. If you are off campus, the Convenience Center offers 18 gallon buckets free of charge! They are located at the end of West Thomas Street.

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TASTE

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“There’s not a particular reason I haven’t had it,” Kefelw said. “I just don’t think I’ve had the opportunity to try it.” She was expecting the food to consist mostly of meat with a lot of spices. On the other hand, McClure had already eaten Jamaican food before. McClure said that she was also expecting the food to be spicy. “I think it’s going to be really good because I just love Jamaican food,” McClure said. After tasting the food, McClure provided her feedback compared to her previous experience. McClure said the jerk chicken was spicier and more delicious than the Jamaican food she had in past experiences. Shortly after ordering, chef Kirk Henry, the head chef and owner of the restaurant, brought the food to the table. The food overwhelmed the yellow plate it was served on and included large portions of mixed vegetables, rice and jerk chicken wings. “I feel like it’s a really good size,” Kefelw said. “You get your money’s worth.” Kefelw noted that the rice appeared appetizing and that steam was rolling off the dish. Both girls said that they enjoyed spicy foods. Regarding their expectations of spiciness for this dish, Kefelw rated the level of spice as seven out of ten. “My mouth’s on fire – in a good way though,” Kefelw said. “I typically have Ethiopian food a lot and it can be very spicy at times.” In contrast, McClure rated the level of spice as three out of ten. However, she had already had Jamaican food before

this experience. “I usually eat spicy Indian food or spicy sushi,” McClure said. “It wasn’t too spicy as to be unenjoyable but it was pretty spicy.” Kefelw added that she thought the rice was flavorful and that it tasted really fresh. During their meal, the girls used forks and needed napkins as the chicken was difficult for them to grab. “[The chicken] pulls

apart easily,” Kefelw said. “I really liked how the chicken just fell off the bone,” McClure said. “It was a little tough to get all of the chicken with just a fork and knife but it was a bit too sticky to pick up.” With this in mind, the students also struggled with separating the chicken once it fell. McClure said she was finding many bones in her food. They would pick through the meat and

constantly have to pull small pieces of bone out of their mouths. Both McClure and Kefelw admitted that they may have been struggling because they do not eat wings very often. They continued to eat other parts of the dish, combining the different flavors as though they complimented each other. “Everything has a lot of flavor,” Kefelw said.

“It tasted like it’s homemade and it takes a lot of care [to make].” While McClure and Kefelw were finishing their meal, two other customers offered their opinions on the food. Jimmy Lewis Sr. said that it was his first time eating there and it was good. Kenneth Lindsey Sr. agreed, saying it was really good food. At the end of the experience, McClure and Kefelw offered their

feedback on the dish. “The food was just really delicious,” McClure said. “[It was] 10 out of 10.” She added, “I really loved eating the jerk chicken; it was a great experience and I am definitely going to recommend the restaurant to my friends!” “Everything overall was very flavorful and tasty,” Kefelw said. “I would definitely come back and bring someone.”

CAN YOU TAKE THE HEAT?

3/10

7/10

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Courtesy of Isabelle Angell
Chef and owner Kirk Henry works hard in the kitchen to serve quality food in a reasonable amount of time.

WHO'S PLAYING WHERE

THURSDAY 9/19

Champagne Lane & Underground Springhouse

11 p.m. at Buffingtons

FRIDAY 9/20

Roshambeaux

11 p.m. at Buffingtons

SATURDAY 9/21

The Twotakes & Seven Year Witch

9 p.m. at Buffingtons

TUESDAY 9/24

Tunetastic Tuesday with GC's Improv class

6 p.m. at Amici

THURSDAY 9/26

Fenwick

11 p.m. at Buffingtons

FRIDAY 9/27

Bird Dog Jubilee

11 p.m. at Buffingtons

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ARTS & LIFE

Carl’s Column

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Contributing Writer

I couldn’t help but wonder, while driving down highway 49 in car chase-speed, should we start using the breaks or do we all need a fall break? One part of me still wonders what’s the easiest way out of college, a car crash or a crash course on YouTube four hours before a test. For you who don’t know me, I’m an exchange student from Sweden. A country famous for IKEA, Spotify and keeping A\$AP Rocky in custody for like a week. Sweden has about 9 million inhabitants, and about 8 million of those hate eye contact and find personal space on the bus religiously important. So, you can imagine the shock when I’m sitting with Earnest (the GC driver) on the bus talking about life. I mean the bus driver in Sweden I only see when he drives by me, while I’m running, and he doesn’t care. I would say I was surprised by life in America. I mean, I had my prejudices based on Mean Girls, Sex and the

City (obviously), Friends and Gilmore Girls. So, imagine my shock showing up in Milledgeville. First of all, the Donald Duck fashion: Long t-shirts, no pants (at least not visible)? I’m not trying to make fun of y’all, honestly: I’m admiring you for daring to show so much skin in this climate changing-sunlight. Second is exactly that: the heat. Did you know I packed a warm jacket? Yeah, it’s sitting up in my room right now laughing at me. The third thing I find interesting is the word “like”. In the book Living in America that Professor Wynn makes the international students read for the American Language and Culture course, it never mentions the phenomenon of how a single word infiltrated the American English. No, the word is not “Russia.” The last thing that surprised me, is something called “Southern hospitality.” I really admire it. In fact it’s actually contagious, I’m almost friendly towards the cockroaches too (almost). I thought about this a lot, and I think there is more than just hospitality in the South. I



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think there’s a Southern mentality too. You are so uplifting to be around, seem so positive towards life (maybe not around final exams, but...) and from what I’ve experienced, see the good in the bad. Maybe that is something American overall, I don’t know! I feel happy being here - even if I don’t have a car. Yes, I was the sweat puddle walking from West Campus to the Max. Honestly, who wouldn’t walk the 1.8 miles for the Max. If you haven’t eaten the Vegan food in there by Carmen Reed, well then, you’re not making the right choices in life. So, I admire your hospitality, mentality and the way you all agreed to not walk over the Bobcat-sign on campus but can’t decide your major. It’s truly a beautiful place I have had the chance to end up in. Thank you for making Milledgeville feel like home to me, from your European Southern belle.

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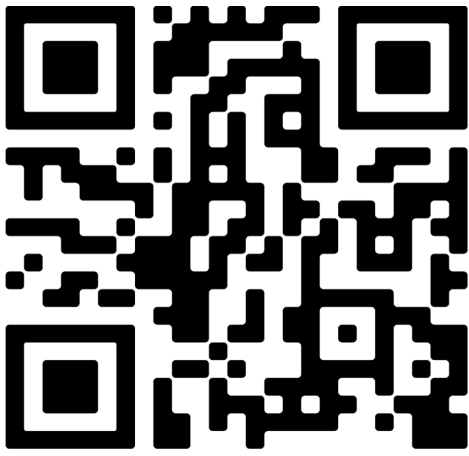
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‘And they were roommates...’

As the honeymoon phase ends, learn how to navigate roommate relationships

Erin Giuliano
Staff Writer

Most college students live with a roommate and whether that person is a stranger or a friend, having a roommate does not always go as planned. Even through the craziness of having roommates, GC students learned valuable lessons

about community and life. Cam Brown, a junior biology major, has experienced multiple negative altercations during her career here at GC. “I don’t really understand why I have such bad luck with roommates,” Brown said. “To start off, my freshman year I lived with eight females, but one of them, in particular, decided

to acquire a five-gallon bucket of chicken eggs and leave them under the sink while she proceeded to go home for the weekend.” Brown explained that the apartment had a rotting stench and when they finally located the chicken eggs her roommate had no explanation as to why she left them there. It is not all about

the roommate horror stories, it is also about learning to cope with these situations. Roommates with a drama-free relationship could lead to a better GC experience. “Although I have so many bad stories, I can’t forget all the good ones I have too,” Brown said. Brown elaborated on the many good experiences she had through having roommates. Some advice she gave consisted of always hearing both sides of the story. “Another good learning point for me was to not hold a grudge, things happen and you have to work through it somehow because you are stuck living with them for the rest of the year,” Brown said. Other students have verified the same idea of working through roommate inconveniences and learning to better themselves and their relationships as a result.

and over again that you need to figure out how to work with your roommate rather than against them, and I’m not going to lie, it does take

“Work with your roommate rather than against them,”

-Abby Davis

different backgrounds,” CA Emily Green said. Green is a history major and CA in Bell Hall.. She explained that students should have an understanding spirit and be open to new experiences.

“I have had some bad roommate experiences, but honestly most of them ended up bringing my roommates and I closer together,” Maddy Yashinsky, a junior criminal justice and political science double major said. Yashinsky described that following her disagreements with her roommates, they were all able to be more comfortable with each other. This allowed them to talk openly with each other and avoid future arguments. There are ups and downs to every relationship, including roommates, but working through downs and celebrating the ups will help lead to a successful roommate situation.

TOP TIPS FOR MANAGING ROOMMATES

- + BE WILLING TO COMPROMISE
- + EXPRESS YOUR FEELINGS CLEARLY AND CALMLY
- + LET GO OF GRUDGES
- + LISTEN TO BOTH SIDES OF A STORY

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